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MUR 6977 (House Majority PAC) SUBJECT:

RE: Pre-Probable Conciliation Agreement

Attached is a revised conciliation agreement, which settles violations of 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.4(c) by House Majority PAC ("HMPAC") and its treasurer Shannon Roche in her official capacity. Attach. 1. On October 27, 2015, the Commission voted to enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with HMPAC for its failure to timely file four 24-Hour Reports to support seven independent expenditures totaling \$67,653.88 during the 2012 election cycle.

The negotiated agreement includes changes to the factual recitations and the civil penalty amount. Attach. 2, ¶ IV. First, the agreement reflects the name of the new treasurer, Alixandria Lapp, and notes that Ms. Roche was treasurer at the time of the violations. Attach. 2, ¶ IV. 2. Second, Respondents requested the addition of contention language in a new Paragraph IV.9 reflecting HMPAC's position that the unfiled reports represent less than one quarter of one percent of the committee's independent expenditure activity for the 2011-2012 election cycle.

The contention language also states the committee's position that it collected the information

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negotiated agreement represents an acceptable resolution of this matter. Therefore, we recommend that the Commission accept the attached signed conciliation agreement and close the file.

we believe this

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement with the House Majority PAC and Alixandria Lapp in her official capacity as treasurer.

2. Approve the appropriate letters.

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3. Close the file.